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C.S. Docket No. 97-55

Dear Sirs:

We strongly oppose the new TV rating system. Our children need protection from violence, sex, unseemly speech and unwholesome programming. The new rating system offers little or no protection.

Please revert back to the former movie industry ratings, thus allowing a parent the comfort of knowing when programming is unsuitable for children prior to viewing.

Programming rated PG should be just that, as the former standards allowed. The new rating system blankets far too much that is unsuitable, deceiving the viewer.

Concerned Citizens,



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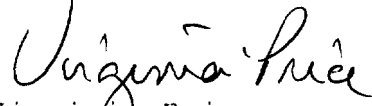
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Re: CS Docket No. 97-55

Dear Sirs:

I am writing to register my objection to the proposal of the television industry's age-based ratings system. The public would be better served if the rating system was based on the show's content, i.e. level of sexual, foul or obscene language and violent content. To give blanket ratings to any show, prime-time or otherwise, would make the rating system a farce.

Sincerely,

  
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Dear Sir/Madam

I would like to express my opposition to the age-based ratings system. I believe that the content-based ratings system is far more effective, and practical because it provides detailed information on the levels of sexual, violent and language content--thus allowing parents to make more informed viewing choices for them and their children.

While no rating system is flawless, the age-based system has already shown its limits: A Media Research Center report released Tuesday found that many prime-time programs have been given a blanket "TV-PG" rating, regardless of content. For example, *USA Today* reported in January that NBC was found rating a particular episode of "Friends" as "TV-PG", even though it contained strong sexual content.

Thank you for your consideration in this regard.

Sincerely,

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As a concerned parent, I wish to voice my strong concern regarding the television industries age-based rating system.

Currently many prime time programs have been given a blanket "TV-PG" rating. This is often very improper because there may at times be a strong sexual content in a number of the programs.

The vast majority of families would prefer having a content-based system, because it then gives proper information as to the extent of sexual, violent and language content. How else can parents make a decision as to what their family should watch. Let's be pro-family in this regard and seriously consider changing to a content-based system.

Sincerely,

  
Peter R. DeMarco, M.D.

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